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1. BELIEVE I SHOULD VISIT HONIARA PRIOR TO INDEPENDENCE
TO DISCUSS WITH GSI OUR PLANS FOR ATTENDANCE AT CEREMONIES.
I WILL TENTATIVELY PLAN TO BE THERE MAY 27 TO JUNE 1. HENCE
WOULD LIKE TO BE AS FULLY INFORMED ABOUT USG INTENTIONS
AS POSSIBLE BEFORE MAY 27.

2. I WILL WANT TO BE ABLE TO DISCUSS US DEL, SIZE AND
COMPOSITION, MODE AND SCHEDULE OF TRAVEL, AND DETAILS OF
NAVAL SHIPS VISIT.

3. I WILL WANT TO DISCUSS RECOGNITION. DO WE PLAN TO
RECOGNIZE SI ON INDEPENDENCE DAY AND WILL SENATOR KENNEDY
BRING LETTER OF RECOGNITION WITH HIM?

4. WILL I BECOME CHARGE' FOR SOLOMON ISLANDS ON
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INDEPENDENCE DAY, AND DO EARLIER PLANS TO ACCREDIT ME
AS AMBASSADOR TO SOLOMON ISLANDS STILL HOLD FIRM?
QUESTIONS ON THESE POINTS ARE SURE TO ARISE AND I NEED
ANSWERS.

5. DEPARTMENT HAS SAID NOTHING ABOUT OFFICIAL US
INDEPENDENCE GIFT. SI INDEPENDENCE PLANNER URGED A FEW

MONTHS AGO THAT USG GIFT BE SOMETHING USEFUL AND PRACTICAL, SPECIFICALLY MENTIONING AMBULANCE, BOOKS OR ESTABLISHMENT OF SCHOLARSHIP FUND (SEE REFTEL C FOR DETAILS). CONSIDERING LEVEL AND SIZE OF US REPRESENTATION, I BELIEVE AMBULANCE OR SCHOLARSHIPS MOST APPROPRIATE. AMBULANCE WOULD BE MORE TANGIBLE AND, OF CHOSEN, SHOULD BE MILITARY TYPE AS IT WOULD BE USED ON ROUGH, UNPAVED ROADS IN DIFFICULT TERRAIN. SCHOLARSHIPS WOULD OBVIOUSLY BE MORE ENDURING GIFT AND WOULD HELP FILL A GREAT NEED IN THE SOLOMONS.
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